

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Gullans *et al.*  
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FOR: METHODS OF TREATING NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 24, 2002, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-12), drawn to a method of inhibiting death of a neuronal cell comprising administering a composition comprising a steroid composition, without traverse.

A Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time and required fee are filed herewith. With this extension, a response is due on June 24, 2003. This application is entitled to small-entity status. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 18989-016.

Respectfully submitted,

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